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Rate Enhancement Programs – Open Enrollment

Provider Finance Department

Welcome



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What's in it for you?

YOU WILL UNDERSTAND THE BENEFITS
OF THE RATE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM.

YOU WILL BE ABLE TO ENROLL IN THE
RATE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM.

YOU WILL HAVE ACCESS TO THIS
INFORMATION WHENEVER NEEDED.



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Learning Objectives



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01

UNDERSTAND WHAT
THE ATTENDANT
COMPENSATION RATE
ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM
AND THE NURSING
FACILITY DIRECT CARE
STAFF RATE ENHANCEMENT
PROGRAM IS ALL ABOUT.

02

COMPLETE AN
ENROLLMENT IN THE RATE
ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

03

UNDERSTAND RATE
ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM
RESPONSIBILITIES FOR
PROVIDERS AND
PREPARERS

Nursing Facility (NF) History

Rate Enhancement Programs were implemented on
May 1, 2000

2000-01 General Appropriations Act, H.B. 1, 76th Legislature,
Regular Session, 1999, (Article II, HHSC, Rider 37)

Title 1, Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §355.308



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Community Care (CC) History

Rate Enhancement Programs were implemented on September 1, 2000

2010-11 General Appropriations Act, H.B. 1, 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009 (Article II, HHSC, Rider 37,). For CLASS, DBMD, DAHS, PHC and RC

Title 1, Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §355.112



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Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities (IDD) History

Rate Enhancement Programs were implemented on September 1, 2010

2010-11 General Appropriations Act, H.B. 1, 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009 (Article II, HHSC, Rider 37,). For HCS and TxHmL and ICF/IID

Title 1, Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §355.112



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Rate Enhancement programs are voluntary

Why Rate Enhancement?

To incentivize providers to increase attendant compensation or direct care compensation to improve quality of care.



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Why Rate Enhancement?

Providers are held accountable for the expenditures of any enhancement funds.

HHSC uses Cost and Accountability reports to verify Staffing and Spending requirements.



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Why Rate Enhancement?

Providers benefit from an increase in revenue used to pay for direct or attendant care staff compensation.



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NF Requirements

Facilities who participate in the direct care staff enhancement agree to maintain a certain level of staffing.

Agree to spend 85% of their direct care staff compensation revenues on direct care staff compensation.



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CC Requirements

Agree to spend 90% of their attendant revenues on attendant compensation.



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Levels and Add-on Rates

Levels



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Levels are monetary increments above the base rate that can go as high as 27 for NF, 35 for CC and 25 for IDD.



HCS Add-Ons

Home and Community-Based Services

Category	Services	Unit Type	Add-on per Unit	Number of Levels
Day Habilitation Services	Day Habilitation Services	Daily	\$0.10	25
Non-Day Habilitation Services	Supported Home Living, CFC PAS/HAB, Respite, Employment Assistance, Supported Employment	Hourly	\$0.05	25
Residential Services	Residential Support Services, Supervised Living	Daily	\$0.40	25



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ICF/IID Add-Ons

Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with an Intellectual Disability or Related Conditions

Category	Services	Unit Type	Add-on per Unit	# of Levels
Day Habilitation Services	Day Habilitation Services	Daily	\$0.10	25
Residential Services	Residential Services	Daily	\$0.40	25



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NF Add-Ons

Nursing Facilities

Unit Type	Add-on per Unit of service	# of Levels
Daily Care Services	\$0.40	27



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Community Care Add-Ons

Community Care

Programs	Services	Unit Type	Add-on per Unit	# of Levels
CLASS Waiver	CFC PAS/HAB And HAB Transportation; SE and EA	Hourly	\$0.05	35
DBMD Waiver	CFC PAS/HAB And Res. HAB Transportation; Day Hab SE and EA; Intervener	Hourly	\$0.05	35



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Community Care Add-Ons

Community Care				
Programs	Services	Unit Type	Add-on per Unit	# of Levels
DAHS	DAHS	Half-day	\$0.05	35
PHC	Priority/Non-Priority	Hourly	\$0.05	35
RC	Apartment/Non-Apartment	Daily	\$0.05	35



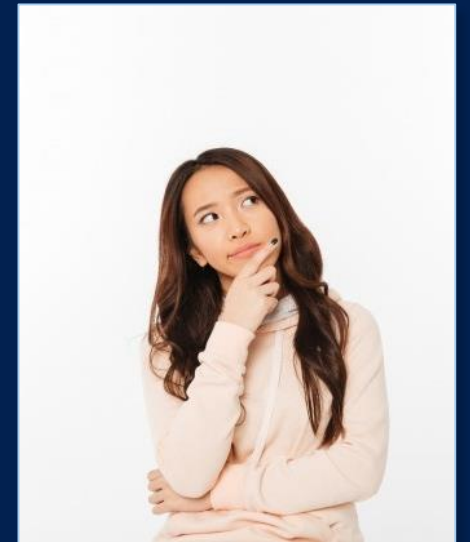
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Things to consider when making your participation decision



The following list is not all-inclusive and there may be other facts to consider in deciding whether to participate.

- Consider the impact of reduced turnover (due to paying higher wages) on your recruiting and training expenses.
- Consider the impact of paying higher wages on the quality of care you deliver to your clients.
- Consider if you are willing to meet spending and other program requirements to avoid recoupment.





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Enrollment Process

**Steps to successfully enroll in
rate enhancement**

Participation Agreement



Enrollment Contract Amendment
(ECA)

The ECA must be signed by an authorized
signatory as identified by form 2031

Enrollment in the Rate Enhancement
is held from July 1-31

Website

A screenshot of the Texas Health and Human Services website. The header includes the Texas Health and Human Services logo and navigation links: ABOUT HHS, SERVICES, DOING BUSINESS WITH HHS, LAWS & REGULATIONS, and CONTACT. Below the header is a green banner with a house icon and the text "Rate Analysis". To the right of the banner is a search bar with the placeholder text "What are you looking for?" and a "Search" button. Below the banner is a dark navigation bar with links: Acute Care, Hospitals & Clinic, Long-term Services & Supports (highlighted), Managed Care, Medicaid Administrative Claiming, Rate Packets, and Time Study. Below the navigation bar is a breadcrumb trail: Home » Long-term Services & Supports. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column has the heading "Long-term Services & Supports" and a list of links: Contact List, 24-Hour Residential Child Care & Supervised Independent Living Program, Adult Foster Care, Adult Mental Health Program, Community Based Alternatives, and Community First Choice. The right column has the heading "Long-term Services & Supports" and the subheading "Announcements". Below the subheading is the text "Financial Management Services Agency (FMSA) Cost Survey". The text continues: "The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Provider Finance Department has contracted with Deloitte Consulting to administer a cost survey for all FMSAs in Texas." At the bottom of the right column is the text "Deadline Extended: The FMSA Cost Survey template is available to download [here](#). (Please note, if you are using".

<https://pfd.hhs.texas.gov/long-term-services-supports/enrollment-information>

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ABOUT HHS SERVICES DOING BUSINESS WITH HHS LAWS & REGULATIONS CONTACT

Rate Analysis

What are you looking for?

- [Adult Mental Health Program](#)
- [Community Based Alternatives](#)
- [Community First Choice](#)
- [Community Living Assistance & Support Services](#)
- [Comprehensive Rehabilitation Services Program](#)
- [Consumer-managed Personal Assistance Services](#)
- [Cost Report Training](#)
- [Day Activity & Health Services](#)
- [Deaf-blind Multiple Disabilities Waiver](#)
- [Emergency Response Services](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Home and Community-based](#)
- [Community Living Assistance & Support Services](#)
- [Comprehensive Rehabilitation Services Program](#)

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Deadline Extended: The FMSA Cost Survey template is available to download [here](#). (Please note, if you are using Google Chrome, you will need to right-click the link and Open in a new Tab or Open in a New Window.) **All Surveys are due by email by 11:59 p.m. on May 19th, 2021.**

Please return all completed cost surveys to Deloitte Consulting at FMSACostReporting@deloitte.com

[FMSA Cost Survey Webinar Video](#) (.wmv) (3/19/2021)

▼ FMSA Cost Survey FAQs

Overview of the Foster Care Rate Methodology Study

[View the Overview of the Foster Care Rate Methodology Study Webinar Slides](#) (.pdf) (02/24/2021)

[View the Overview of the Foster Care Rate Methodology Study Webinar Video](#) (.wmv) (02/24/2021)

Cost/Accountability Reports Information

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- Residential Care
 - Effective November 1, 2009 (.pdf)
 - Effective September 1, 2009 (.pdf)
- Texas Home Living
 - Effective August 1, 2009 (.pdf)
- Youth Empowerment Services
 - Effective August 1, 2008 (.pdf)
 - Effective September 1, 2007 (.pdf)
 - Effective August 1, 2007 (.pdf)
 - Effective September 1, 2006 (.pdf)
 - Effective September 1, 2005 (.pdf)
 - Effective September 1, 2004 (.pdf)
 - Effective September 1, 2003 (.pdf)
 - Effective September 1, 2002 (.pdf)
 - Effective September 1, 2001 (.pdf)
 - Effective September 1, 2000 (.pdf)

Rate Enhancement - Attendant Compensation

[View 2022 Rate Enhancement - Attendant Compensation Information](#)

[View 2021 Rate Enhancement - Attendant Compensation Information](#)

[View 2020 Rate Enhancement - Attendant Compensation Information](#)

[View 2019 Rate Enhancement - Attendant Compensation Information](#)

Training Information

[View Cost Report Training information](#)

[View Rate Enhancement Report Training information](#)

[View Rate Enhancement Enrollment Training information](#)

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Other Documents Important To The Enrollment Information:

View the [Participation Status - Levels Awarded](#)

View the [Enrollment Contract Amendment Instructions](#)

Complete the [Enrollment Contract Amendment form](#) (Recommended browser Google Chrome)

View the [Enrollment Worksheets and Instructions](#)

Open Enrollment process

A screenshot of the "HHSC Provider Finance Open Enrollment Login" page. The page features the Texas Health and Human Services logo at the top. Below the logo, the title "HHSC Provider Finance Open Enrollment Login" is displayed. The login form consists of a dropdown menu labeled "Provider Type" with a downward arrow, a text input field, and a "Login" button.

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Open Enrollment Login

Provider Type ▼

Login

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HHSC Provider Finance Open Enrollment Dashboard

Type	Contract/Component Code #
PHC	77777775

The system will time out in 30 minutes. Please save work often to reset the timer.

Open enrollment begins on the first day of July and ends on the last day of that same July preceding the rate year for which payments are being determined, unless the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) notified providers before the first day of July that open enrollment has been postponed or cancelled.

The highest enhancement level that any provider may request is listed below for each program type:

1. Community Care - Level 35
2. NF - Level 27
3. IDD - Level 25

Note: NF providers may request a level higher than its current level plus three additional levels.

Levels are awarded within available funds, and it is possible that a facility will not be awarded the level it requests due to limited funding for the enhancement program. No new funds have been appropriated for this program. As a result, increases in enhancement levels will only be possible if other facilities choose to reduce their levels or are subject to enrollment limitations as described below.

It has been determined that your rate enhancement level is not currently limited.

Would you like to modify or reinstate your rate enhancement level?

☐ Yes

☐ No

3107 days 3 hours 50 minutes 16 seconds remaining

Log Off

[Open Rate Analysis Website](#)

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Would you like to modify or reinstate your rate enhancement level?

☒ Yes

☐ No

 ECA

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TEXAS HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION (HHSC) PRIMARY HOME CARE (PHC) Attendant Compensation Rate Enhancement Enrollment Contract Amendment

IMPORTANT: The completed Enrollment Contract Amendment must be received by
5:00 p.m., Jul 31.

By execution of this Enrollment Contract Amendment, I acknowledge receipt of the Enrollment Contract Amendment to the **Primary Home Care (PHC)** contract. I agree to accept and be bound by the aforementioned Enrollment Contract Amendment and the rules in Title 1 of the Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §355.112 for Medicaid programs as a revision to my contract.

The purpose of the Enrollment Contract Amendment is to implement the legacy Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) appropriations rider 37 passed by the 76th Legislature [General Appropriations Act, 76th Leg., R.S., Art. II, "Department of Aging and Disability Services," (rider no. 37)] through the establishment of procedures for increased wages and benefits for community care attendants. Providers agreeing to participate and receiving the additional funds must demonstrate compliance with additional requirements and must spend the additional funds intended for attendant wages and benefits as specified, or the funds intended for those purposes will be recouped by HHSC. For providers who choose not to participate in the enhancement program and not receive additional funds, the attendant compensation rate component will remain constant over time, except for adjustment necessitated by increases in the federal minimum wage.

Contracts from which HHSC Rate Analysis has not received an acceptable request to modify their enrollment by 5:00 p.m. on Jul 31 will continue with the service category(ies) and levels of participation in effect during the open enrollment period within available funds.

An initial enrollment contract amendment is required from each provider choosing to participate in the attendant compensation rate enhancement. On the enrollment contract amendment, the provider must specify for each contract a desire to participate or not and a preferred participation level.

For PHC contracts, providers must specify to have priority, nonpriority or both priority and nonpriority services participate in the attendant compensation rate enhancement.

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[View a list of current levels](#)

☐ Yes, this contract chooses to enroll in Attendant Compensation Rate Enhancement.

Enter the requested enhancement level in the box labeled "Requested Level" for each service. (must indicate a level between 1 and 35). **NOTE:** Levels are awarded within available funds, and it is possible that you will not be awarded the level you request due to limited funding for the enhancement program.

Requested Level for Priority

Requested Level for Nonpriority

☐ No, this contract chooses not to enroll in Attendant Compensation Rate Enhancement; or requests to withdraw participation from the Attendant Compensation Rate Enhancement.

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9-Digit Contract Number - PHC

Test PHC
Name of Authorized Signatory per HHSC
Signature Authority Designation Form (Form 2031)
(must be the person submitting this form)

Legal Entity Name as it appears on contract

Street Address of Legal Entity

Legal Entity City State Legal Entity Zip Code

E-mail Address of Authorized Signatory

DEC Last month of the IRS fiscal year for this entity. If this is incorrect please call (512) 438-2680.

Telephone Number Facsimile Number

☐ I attest I am the Authorized Signatory for the above contract number and Legal Entity per the HHSC Signature Authority Designation Form (Form 2031) and all information included in this form is accurate and complete by as entered.

Date Submitted:

Submission of Form:
1. Verify all data.
2. Submit the form by clicking the submit button.

Logout Submit Request

Please verify all data before submitting.

Contact us



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Thank you

HHSC LTSS Center for Information and Training
Please enroll before July 31.